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**U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT**  
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**NOTICE OF CASES SET FOR HEARING**

Your case has been set for hearing as indicated on the calendar. Please take special note of the start time and the place of hearing. If you will present oral argument, you must immediately complete the Acknowledgment of Hearing Notice form and return it to the Clerk's Office via the Appellate ECF system [or by hard copy for those granted an exemption from using the Appellate ECF system].

In preparing for oral argument, you should be guided by Rule 34 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure. The following information is provided to ensure the effectiveness of the hearing process:

**Possibility of Mootness or Settlement** - If your case has become moot or a settlement is imminent, immediately advise the Clerk's office in writing and **BY TELEPHONE**. For ECF-registered counsel, this must be filed electronically as "File Correspondence to Court."

**Notification of Related Cases** - If you are aware of other cases pending in this court which are related to and which should be calendared with your case(s), please notify this office.

**Admission for Oral Argument** - If you are presenting oral argument, you must be admitted to the bar of this court. **The application form is on the court's website, [www.ca9.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov), under Forms. If you need to verify your admission, please call the Attorney Admissions Inquiry line at (415) 355-7800 and leave the requested information.** While admission in open court on the day of hearing is discouraged, it is an option. Candidates for admission in open court must appear in the Clerk's Office with a sponsor who is already admitted to the bar of this court, and who can orally move for admission before the calendar begins.

**Submission Without Oral Argument** - If you feel that oral argument would not be of assistance to the court, file a "motion to submit case on briefs." For ECF-registered counsel, this motion must be filed electronically. The court may, on its own motion, determine that oral argument would not be of assistance. In such cases, all parties will be advised by order pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 34(a).

**Day of Oral Argument** - If you are presenting oral argument, register with the courtroom deputy 30 minutes before the start time of the hearing. All counsel for all cases must be registered and present at the time the session is convened.

**Hearing Order of Cases** - Cases are generally heard in the order in which they appear on the calendar. However, a panel may rearrange the order of cases at the start of a session. Counsel in all cases should be prepared to begin argument immediately after court is convened in the event that the panel rearranges the order of cases.

**Time for Oral Argument** - Cases scheduled for oral argument will be assigned 10, 15, 20, or occasionally 30 minutes per side. Check the calendar to determine your time allotment.

**Subject of Oral Argument** - The judges have studied the briefs and the excerpts of record and will be familiar with the facts and issues of the case. Argument should be devoted to clarifying issues as needed and to responding to questions raised by the judges of the panel.

**Presenting Additional Citations** - Additional citations of relevant decisions rendered since the filing of the party's last brief - or after oral argument but before decision - may be submitted by letter pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 28(j) and 9th Cir. R. 28-6. For ECF-registered counsel, this letter must be filed electronically as "File a Citation of Supplemental Authorities (FRAP 28(j) Letter)." The letter must state the reasons for the citation, referring to either the page of the brief or to a point argued orally. The body of the letter must not exceed 350 words. Any response must be made promptly and similarly limited, and should be filed as a FRAP 28(j) Letter.

**Identity of Panel Members** - Not earlier than the week before the court week in which your case will be heard, the names of judges hearing your case will be announced. The judges' names will be posted on the calendar on the court's website at [www.ca9.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov).

**Continuances** - After a case has been calendared, continuances are not granted except for a showing of extraordinarily good cause. If oral argument is essential but you find it impossible to be present, you must, immediately after receipt of this hearing notice, file a "motion to continue hearing" and supporting affidavit for continuance. For ECF-registered counsel, this motion must be filed electronically. Filing of the motion does not ensure that the continuance will be granted. The court will not consider a motion for continuance after the identity of the panel members has been divulged.

**Audio and Video** - Oral arguments are streamed live on the court's website at: [www.ca9.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov). Links to live streaming audio and video are available on the main page and are listed by date, time, location, and courtroom. Recordings of all oral arguments are available the day after argument at <http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/media/>.